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House Resolution 1365 (RULES COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE)

By: Representatives Smith of the 113th, Lewis of the 15th, Murphy of the 23rd, Forster of the 3rd, Wix of the 33rd, and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Encouraging electric utilities to consider building new nuclear power plants in Georgia and
- 2 the Public Service Commission to take appropriate steps to encourage this policy; and for
- 3 other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, virtually all new power plants built in Georgia in the last 15 years are fueled by
- 5 natural gas, thereby exposing electricity consumers to volatile price fluctuations; and
- 6 WHEREAS, nuclear power plants produce electricity at a stable price at high levels of safety
- 7 and reliability, while emitting no greenhouse or acid rain gases; and
- 8 WHEREAS, in 2005, the United States Congress passed an energy bill that provides a
- 9 number of incentives encouraging electric utilities to pursue nuclear energy to reduce
- dependence on energy supplies from unstable parts of the world.
- 11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 12 the members of this body encourage electric utilities in Georgia to consider building new
- 13 nuclear power plants to serve customers in Georgia.
- 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body encourage the Public Service
- 15 Commission to take appropriate measures to encourage Georgia utilities to consider building
- 16 nuclear power plants and to encourage utilities to take reasonable steps to maintain the
- 17 nuclear power generation option in Georgia.
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 19 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Georgia electric utility
- 20 companies and to each member of the Georgia Public Service Commission.